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PROGRAMME ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

Period: 2017

Project Name	Combatting Poverty and Vulnerability in Somalia through Social Protection
Gateway ID	Joint Programme Social Protection #106901
Start date	1 November 2016
Planned end date (as per last approval)	31 December 2017 (extension requested to 2019)
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Participating UN entities	UNICEF & WFP
NDP Pillar	Resilience
Priority	
Milestone	
Location	n/a
Gender Marker	2a

Total Budget as per ProDoc	USD 1,515,000
MPTF:	USD 1,515,000
Non-MPTF sources:	PBF:
	Trac:
	Other:

	PUNO	Report approved by:	Position/Title	Signature
1.	WFP	Laurent Bukera	Country Director	
2.	UNICEF	Steven Lauwerier	Country Representative	

Total MPTF Funds Received				Total non-MPTF Funds Received		
PUNO	Q4 2017	Cumulative	Annual 2017	Q4 2017	Cumulative	Annual 2017
WFP	561,293	561,293	561,293	0	0	0
UNICEF	953,707	953,707	953,707	0	0	0
Total	1,515,000	1,515,000	1,515,000	0	0	0



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JP Expenditure of MPTF Funds ¹				JP Expenditure of non-MPTF Funds		
PUNO	Q4 2017	Cumulative	Annual 2017	Q4 2017	Cumulative	Annual 2017
WFP	0	0	0	0	0	0
UNICEF	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS

1. A consulting firm has been hired to develop the social protection policy
2. The work plan for the development of the policy framework including desk reviews and stakeholder consultations has been finalized in consultation with the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management

SITUATION UPDATE

A social protection system does not currently exist in Somalia in the traditional sense: There is no government policy and no government run programmes that could be considered to fall under the purview of a social protection (SP) system. Informal social protection systems are strong however, with systems of support founded in clan and Islamic traditions established and well followed, both domestically and from the diaspora in the form of remittances.

Under the New Deal Framework from 2012-2016, within the aid architecture of the Peace and State Building Goals (PSGs) there was a social protection sub-working group under PSG5 for Revenue and Services, co-led by WFP and UNICEF, where efforts were concentrated in growing awareness, understanding, commitment and energy for the development of social protection. Understanding of social protection was almost not present initially.

An informal donor-working group was formed in 2015 to discuss how to address the gap and the lack of progress seen under the SP sub-working group in PSG5. The most stable interest and presence in this informal group was found by a few key donors. An idea of small milestones to be pursued one by one emerged from this group, with the first being the development of a definition of SP for Somalia.

Towards the end of 2015, a definition for Social Protection in Somalia was drafted and agreed by the sub-working group, and was quickly followed by a concept note outlining initial and mid-term priorities and milestones. A training was given to approximately 25 government representatives in April 2016, building capacity and interest. There was a strong push following this by participants to include social protection in the National Development Plan, where it now features under the Resilience Chapter.²

¹ **Uncertified expenditures.** Certified annual expenditures can be found in the Annual Financial Report of MPTF Office (<http://mptf.undp.org/factsheet/fund/4SO00>)

² Notes from Danielle Trotter.



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QUARTERLY & ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT RESULTS MATRIX

OUTCOME STATEMENT			
Policy and institutional frameworks for social protection are developed			
SUB-OUTCOME 1 STATEMENT			
n/a			
Output 1.1: Social protection policy for Somalia developed			
INDICATOR	TARGET	PROGRESS ON OUTPUT INDICATOR ³	
		THIS QUARTER	CUMULATIVE 2017
Approved social protection policy	Social protection policy consultations held in six capitals	Plan for consultations developed.	
	Social protection policy draft developed		
	Social protection policy reviewed and revised		
	Social protection policy endorsed by Government		
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR)			
Output 1.2: Social protection communications strategy developed and implemented			
Social protection communications strategy in place and communications activities undertaken	Consultation held with Federal Member States on effective means of communications in each state		
	Social protection communications strategy developed and costed		
	Social protection communications strategy endorsed and rolled out		
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR)			
Output 1.3: Somalia-appropriate SDG targets for social protection indicators developed			
Social protection SDG targets for Somalia adopted	Two-day launch workshop with stakeholders to present social protection-related SDG goals and indicators		
	Draft social protection SDG targets developed and shared		
	Two-day workshop with stakeholders to finalize social protection-related SDG goals and indicators		
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR)			
Output 1.4: Social protection-related capacity of key national counterparts for effective implementation of			

³ Fill in only the numbers or yes/no; no explanations to be given here.



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programs built			
Social protection -related technical capacity in key ministries in each state	Social protection capacity assessment of key ministries (federal and state) undertaken		
	Quarterly social protection training for PSG5 Social Protection Sub-Working Group members conducted		
OUTCOME 2 STATEMENT			
Strategies to reach vulnerable populations through social protection are identified			
Output 2.1: Key characteristics associated with poverty and reduced access to services identified, to advise development of a targeting system for social protection			
Poverty and vulnerability data associated with reduced service access available	SCOPE and other relevant databases analyzed	ToRs for consultant developed.	
	Report on characteristics of vulnerable households in SCOPE and other relevant databases developed		
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR)			
Output 2.2: Geo-tagged data on supply of key social services incorporated into the humanitarian biometric beneficiary and transfer management platform (SCOPE) database			
Mapping of key social services conducted (including geo-tagging)			
Social service data incorporated into SCOPE			
UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR)			
Output 2.3: Access of excluded populations in two communities to social services and humanitarian/development support analyzed			
Data on access of excluded populations to social services and development benefits available	Social network analysis (SNA) conducted in two communities		
	SNA results analyzed, compiled and disseminated		



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UNDP ONLY: sources of evidence (as per current QPR)

NARRATIVE

In late 2016 and early 2017, funding from the Italian Cooperation through the MPTF was secured for a joint programme WFP is working with UNICEF to develop a social protection policy and a number of supporting activities. However, the MPTF funds were only received in September of 2017, thereby delaying the start of activities by several months. There are two main components of the programme: (1) the **development of the social protection policy and framework** in partnership with the federal and regional member states as well as (2) **identifying strategies to reach the most vulnerable** through a set of research methods (mainly focus group discussions) throughout the country. There a number of smaller, related components, that will include capacity development plan, social protection indicators linking to SDG targets, a communications strategy and mapping of service locations.

Outcome 1. Policy and institutional frameworks for social protection are developed

Output 1.1: Social protection policy for Somalia developed

- A consulting firm was contracted to work on the policy and framework (including the desk review, consultations, and finalizing of the policy) in October 2017. In December, the firm and the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs developed a work plan for the desk review, timings of the consultations and community FGDs, presenting the draft and finalization of the policy.
- In December, the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs requested meetings with UNICEF and WFP on the Social Protection programme. The two agencies introduced the programme to the ministries and set up a follow up meeting for mid-January 2018. Ministry of Labour has since joined the programme leadership.

Other Key Achievements

Challenges (incl: Delays or Deviations) and Lessons Learnt:

There was a significant delay in receiving the funds from the MPTF: the grant started at the beginning of 2017 and the funds received in September 2017, therefore in December we requested an extension on the grant until 2019. The consulting firm to oversee the development of the policy was hired in October 2017. Soon after, the Somali capital suffered a large bomb blast with hundreds of fatalities, requiring the government to initiate an emergency response to help survivors. The Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs and Disaster Management (the government lead on this project) focused its resources on coordinating the emergency response and was not available for meetings and consultations until December 2017. The bomb blast and the emergency efforts afterwards therefore delayed the progress of the project, pushing key meetings with government counterparts to early 2018.

Peacebuilding impact: N/A

Catalytic effects: N/A

Gender

Proportion of gender specific	Total no. of Outputs	Total no. of gender specific Outputs
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outputs in Joint Programme ⁴	7	0
Proportion of Joint Programme staff with responsibility for gender issues (<i>as of end of 2017</i>) ⁵	Total no. of Staff	Total no. of staff with responsibility for gender issues
	2	2
Human Rights		
Has the Joint Programme included a protection risk assessment in its context analysis, including on gender issues, and taken measures to mitigate these risks to ensure they are not exacerbated or new risks created?	Result (Yes/No)	
	Yes	
No. of Joint Programme outputs specifically designed to address specific protection concerns.	Result (No.)	
	4	
No. of Joint Programme outputs designed to build capacity of duty bearers to fulfil their human rights obligations towards rights holders.	Result (Number)	
	2	
Other		
Does the Joint Programmes have a national cost-sharing component (i.e. funds and/or other resources provided by the FGS and/or FMS (including in-kind contributions)? (if 'Yes', describe below).	Results (Yes/No)	
	Yes	
Have FMS(s) been engaged in one or more of the following: design, planning, implementation, coordination and/or monitoring of the Joint Programme.	Results (Yes/No)	
	Yes	
Describe nature of cost sharing:		
Staff time of FGS, FMS will be their contribution. In addition, other miscellaneous supplies, IT costs, rent, etc. are also contributions of the FGS.		
Support to Drought Response		
Communications & Visibility		
These activities have not yet started. A communications strategy will be developed during the consultation process to ensure visibility of Ministry and Donors.		
Looking ahead		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The technical working group has been formed with the first meeting slated for 6 February when the process will be discussed and advised on by 6 Ministries (Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs, Ministry of Labour, Ministry of Planning, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education, and possibly Finance and office of 		

⁴ Gender Specific Outputs are those that are specifically designed to directly and explicitly contribute to the promotion of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment.

⁵ Staff members are those contracted to undertaken work for the Joint Programme including full time staff, consultants, advisors, interns, etc. Staff members with responsibility for gender issues are those who have gender related activities included in their Terms of Reference.



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the President).

- Consultations with the Regional Member States on the development Social Protection policy are slated to begin later in February, and end in March. The final policy after drafting and review, should be ready for presentation to the cabinet by May 2018.



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